



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 392 - HB 575

February 27, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (004498): Requires the Board of Medical Examiners (BME), and the Board of Osteopathic Examination (BOE), and the Board of Examiners in Psychology (BEP) to each develop and offer a course in maternal mental health, and accept such course as credit toward continuing education if successfully completed. Requires each board to periodically update any curriculum developed for maternal mental health to account for new research.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

**Increase State Revenue – \$153,900/FY23-24/Division of Health-Related Boards
\$149,600/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/
Division of Health-Related Boards**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$153,900/FY23-24/Division of Health-Related Boards
\$149,600/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/
Division of Health-Related Boards**

Other Fiscal Impact - Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Medical Examiners had a surplus of \$937,379 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$902,739 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$3,289,036 on June 30, 2022. The Board of Osteopathic Examination had a surplus of \$164,215 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$180,284 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,378,663 on June 30, 2022. The Board of Examiners in Psychology had a surplus of \$68,247 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$57,979 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,251,007 on June 30, 2022.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to information provided by the Department of Health, the department cannot accommodate the requirements of the proposed legislation within existing resources. The DOH will require one Public Health Administrator 2 position to review, evaluate, and participate in the required courses.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures associated with the additional position is estimated to be \$4,300 (\$1,600 computer cost + \$2,700 office furniture).

- The recurring increase in state expenditures associated with the additional position is estimated to be \$149,570 (\$113,496 salary + \$26,174 benefits + \$7,900 administrative cost + \$1,400 communications + \$600 supplies).
- The total increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$153,870 (\$4,300 + \$149,570) in FY23-24, and \$149,570 in FY24-25 and subsequent years.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. It is assumed that the boards will charge fees in an amount sufficient to offset the expenditures incurred as a result of this legislation.
- The Board of Medical Examiners had a surplus of \$937,379 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$902,739 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$3,289,036 on June 30, 2022.
- The Board of Osteopathic Examination had a surplus of \$164,215 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$180,284 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,378,663 on June 30, 2022.
- The Board of Examiners in Psychology had a surplus of \$68,247 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$57,979 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,251,007 on June 30, 2022.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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